

Officers defy Histadrut, now strike 'to the finish'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER, Jerusalem Post Reporter

A. — The Marine Officers yesterday defied the Histadrut, deciding to carry on its "to the bitter end." The union council made the move at an emergency meeting, called to debate day night's Histadrut order to strike by 7 p.m. last night or be expelled from the Histadrut, and loss of its pension.

Decision, taken by the 13 members of the 16-man council in Haifa, was backed by phone calls from officers and ships at sea. They assured secretariat, which called the 13 days ago: "We are behind you." The union vowed to carry the strike if no settlement was reached.

Company managements quickly started to implement agency plans in an effort to cut the Histadrut's influence. Rotem told The Jerusalem Post that ships not yet loaded would avoid Israeli ports if in order to be kept sailing. Companies also prepared to let the crews of the ships struck or idled inside and outside of Israel's ports.

Union vowed that officers would not accept forced vacation or the dismissal notices the Histadrut is said to be issuing in next stage of its plan. "We expect to see the day when an officer is told to go home or out of his job," union secretary Captain Yeshayahu said.

He also said the withdrawal of Histadrut protection, Groman said, haven't had much benefit of protection so far.

Union was determined to go all the way, he said. The only alternative was to go all the way.

Histadrut expels Marine Officers Union

By ZEPHYRUS SCHUL, Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The Histadrut yesterday expelled the Marine Officers' Union. By the terms of a decision by the Histadrut Executive, 100 officers will remain members of the labour federation. The union will no longer be able to claim Histadrut protection in negotiations with employers.

Action came after the officers' union, Histadrut ultimatum, issued yesterday night, telling them they had to work by 7 p.m. last night, or be expelled unless they entered into three-way talks with the shipping companies and the Histadrut.

Union warning was issued by the ratings. But the officers' union had not even sent a reply to the Histadrut Secretary-General Am Meisler.

Meisler, speaking at an impromptu press conference, Meisler commented: "Officers are demanding discipline of the ratings and ship. But who is to discipline the officers?"

Natanson and Moshe Levi, members of the Histadrut's Executive Committee, supported the federation's action. They felt the officers eventually would be expelled.

Officers urge cabinet: 'Don't intervene in strike'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A government yesterday declined to take any action in current maritime officers' strike, honouring a request of the shipping companies not to intervene. But the cabinet still declined the strike as irresponsible and said that it posed a danger to existence and the future of the shipping industry.

A shipping firm informed the cabinet that they intend to take a stand with the officers.

Yesterday's cabinet meeting, reported Minister Gad Ya'acobi, the officers had rejected a proposal for arbitration of the outstanding problems. He read to his colleagues the recommendation of the Ports Authority not to use force to move the seven Israeli ships idled in port.

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U.S. backs Israel warning — Avineri

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Washington approved of Foreign Minister Yigal Alon's warning last week that Israel would not countenance the butchery of Christians in southern Lebanon, and reports to the contrary were unfounded, Foreign Ministry Director-General Shlomo Avineri told the cabinet yesterday.

Prof. Avineri also reported on the relative lull that has prevailed in the border-area fighting over the past couple of days.

The U.S. officially announced that there was no contradiction between its stand and the Israeli stand, as expressed both diplomatically and publicly by Alon, Avineri said. He was answering a query from Tourism Minister Moshe Kori, who wanted to know if there was any friction between the two capitals over Alon's warning.

Avineri said: "Certain Israeli correspondents in Washington tried to squeeze something out of the State Department which had no basis in fact."

Falling-sky pact ratified

The Cabinet yesterday ratified a treaty on setting claims for damage caused by space objects. The treaty has so far been signed by 73 states and ratified by 29.

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Rabin gives Peres the cabinet chair

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Premier Yitzhak Rabin yesterday handed over the chairmanship of the cabinet to Defence Minister Shimon Peres, effective next week and on a provisional basis.

Rabin announced this yesterday in a brief statement to the cabinet. No comments or questions were raised by any of the ministers present.

Rabin said he would be going on leave as of April 22, immediately after Independence Day, until after the Knesset elections next month.

"I have asked Minister Shimon Peres to preside at the cabinet sessions and at those ministerial committees where I hold the chairman's position during my period of leave," Rabin said. "I shall work out the detailed procedures for the functioning of the government during the period of my leave with Minister Shimon Peres. Our conclusions will be conveyed to the ministers."

Yesterday's cabinet session was delayed until the afternoon to allow Rabin time to arrive from his wife's trial in Tel Aviv.

Soviets not seeking ties, cabinet told

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Soviet Union has informed the U.S. it has no intention of restoring diplomatic ties with Israel, the cabinet was told yesterday.

Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko told Secretary of State Cyrus Vance in Moscow last month that there was no change in his country's stand about the ties, Prof. Shlomo Avineri, director-general of the Foreign Ministry, said in a foreign affairs briefing. The matter had been raised by Vance, Avineri said.

The question came up when Health Minister Yehoshua Shmuelov suggested that Israel would do well to approach the Soviet Union now and offer to restore ties.

Prof. Avineri said it was true that Soviet utterances about Israel's policies were less abrasive at present than they had been. But there was no indication that the Soviet Union had changed its policies towards the Middle East conflict, he added.

(In the past few days there have been press reports from the U.S., quoting Soviet and U.S. State Department officials as indicating that the Russians may be moving in the direction of establishing normal relations with Israel.)

Prof. Avineri also spelled out the issues which Syrian President Hafez Assad was likely to air during his coming talks in the Kremlin.

Rabin reports on Egypt's 'new angle'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin told the cabinet yesterday that Egypt's President Anwar Sadat has presented the U.S. a "new angle" in Egyptian policy: active Egyptian participation in an effort to contain Soviet domination in certain African countries.

Reporting on Sadat's recent visit to Washington, Rabin said this contrasted with the Egyptian stand a few years ago, when it cultivated an anti-Western role in various parts of Africa.

This turnaround has created a "new aspect" in Egypt-U.S. relations, Rabin reported. But it is too early to assess the possible implications of this new Egyptian policy, he said.

Rabin said there was no confirmation of any U.S. decision on arms supplies for Egypt. But it was known that Sadat was asking for American arms in his newly acquired "African role."

Indicating that Israel has not yet been fully briefed by Washington on Sadat's visit, Rabin told the cabinet that information was still only "partial" and that "the cabinet will need to be informed when authoritative information is received."



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IL250,000 fine for Lea Rabin

By ARTHUR KEMELMAN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Lea Rabin yesterday pleaded guilty in the District Court here to the illegal possession of foreign currency and was fined IL250,000 — or a year in jail.

The maximum penalty for such an offense is three years' imprisonment. But Judge Dov Levin noted in handing down sentence that the prime minister's wife will now have to live with the stigma of a criminal conviction. It is possible, he said, that she had already been punished by her "unscrupulous fall" from a prominent position in society.

Dressed in a dark-blue suit and wearing sunglasses, a grim-faced Mrs. Rabin arrived at the heavily guarded courthouse shortly before the proceedings started at 8:30 a.m. The prime minister accompanied his wife in the car but did not attend the proceedings.

Mrs. Rabin, accompanied by her lawyer, Shimon Alexandroni, made her way through the crowds of curious onlookers who packed the corridors outside the courtroom on the fourth floor. In the prisoner's dock, she was tense at first but gradually relaxed.

Seated beside her was her daughter Dalia, a lawyer. When Judge Levin entered the courtroom, Dalia moved over to the bench next to Mrs. Rabin's attorney.

Allon: Detente must spread to Middle East as well

AMSTERDAM. — Western socialist leaders agreed yesterday to keep pressing the Soviet Bloc to respect human rights, saying their aim was fully compatible with detente. They concluded a two-day conference here on East-West relations organized by the Dutch Labour Party and attended by socialist representatives from 24 nations.

Israel Foreign Minister Yigal Alon said detente must spread from Europe to Africa, the Mediterranean and the Middle East.

"Detente is indispensable if we are to save the world," Alon said. "We have a choice between coexistence

Owen tells whites to trust guerrillas

SALISBURY. — British Foreign Secretary David Owen told Rhodesians in a television interview last night that black nationalists fighting to overthrow Prime Minister Ian Smith's white-minority government "are essentially men of goodwill being driven to take up arms."

He said he understood white anxiety and black mistrust, but he believed Rhodesia had a potentially prosperous future ahead of it. He told his audience that black guerrilla leader Robert Mugabe had himself said: "I am a man of peace who has been driven to take up violence."

Owen, who was interviewed by Rhodesian television during a visit here that ended early yesterday, said he believed there was a surprisingly

large fund of goodwill between the races in Rhodesia.

Owen was due back in London late last night. In the afternoon he flew to Marxist Angola, where he met with President Agostinho Neto. Diplomatic sources said the meeting was friendly but that Neto maintained his usual militant stand on solving the southern African problem.

Owen has been sounding out Africans on a new British plan for reconvening a constitutional conference to work out peaceful transfer of power to Rhodesia's black majority. He stopped off in Lagos for talks with Nigeria's foreign minister on his way back to Britain.

Assad to USSR to mend ties

By ANAN SAFADI, Post Middle East Affairs Editor

Syria's President Hafez Assad is scheduled to fly to Moscow today for talks seen likely to affect the scope of Soviet influence in the region.

On the one hand, Assad will seek a continuity of the Soviet Military and economic aid that the Kremlin has been extending on a selective basis amid tightened controls. On the other, the Syrian leader is expected to sound out the Kremlin on Middle East and African conflicts which have strained Moscow's relations with several Arab capitals.

Assad last visited the Soviet Union in October 1975. His relations with Moscow were damaged last year when the Syrians rolled into Lebanon in a bid to crack down on a Palestinian-leftist alliance kindling that country's civil war. Syria's recent provision of logistic support to this alliance in Lebanon, however, is said to have eased the strains between it and Moscow.

Observers expect Assad to patch up his differences with the Kremlin, as well as those between Egypt and the Soviet Union. Relations between the latter two countries reached their lowest ebb when Egyptian President Anwar Sadat tore up a treaty with Moscow in March 1976.

Assad's trip to Moscow comes three weeks after U.S. President Jimmy Carter on the prospects of an overall Middle East settlement. Carter has already conferred with outgoing Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and with Sadat in Washington. He is due to receive Jordan's King Hussein and Saudi Arabia's Crown Prince Fahd soon.

The Syrian leader will be the first Arab head of state to call on the Kremlin since Soviet Communist Party chief Leonid Brezhnev set out his recent proposals for settling the Middle East conflict in phases and establishing a Palestinian state. Brezhnev at the time made no direct mention of the Palestine Liberation Organization or of Yasser Arafat who just paid a call on the Kremlin.

His visit precedes a planned trip to Washington for discussions with President Jimmy Carter on prospects of a Middle East settlement.

Arab League moves to defuse potential Egypt-Libya conflict

Jerusalem Post Staff

The Arab League moved yesterday to defuse a potentially explosive conflict between Egypt and Libya, which have been exchanging virulent propaganda attacks.

The league secretariat said it would neither summon a special session nor circulate strongly worded notes lodged by the two neighbours.

Instead, the league moved to mediate between the two at the request of Arab ambassadors at the UN, who called that the conflict might jeopardize their standing at the international forum.

Relations between the two countries were strained when Egyptian President Anwar Sadat rejected Libyan leader Colonel Muammar Gaddafi's bid in the summer of 1973 for a merger. The relations deteriorated further following the Yom Kippur

War, with Gaddafi denouncing Sadat's Middle East policy.

The latest Egyptian note to the league said that Libya had "become a den of international terrorists and criminals," including the world's most wanted terrorist, Carlos.

In an article appearing in the latest issue of the weekly "October," published yesterday, Sadat said that Gaddafi was a "schizophrenic Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde."

Cairo's mass-circulation "Al-Akhar" newspaper yesterday urged Egypt to waive self-restraint and unseat Gaddafi, in spite of what editor Mousa Sabry described as the protection given Gaddafi by Russia and Cuba. "The Egyptian people wish this lunatic to be confronted with methods that will protect the Arabs from his madness that is sinking to bloodthirstiness and crime," Sabry wrote.

Thief, interrogator share Toto win

BILAT. — A confessed thief and his police interrogator filled out a Sportoto form together, and will now share IL10,000 for correctly guessing the outcome of 12 of the weekend's football games.

The thief, a soldier stationed at Kibbutz Yotvata, had admitted stealing IL18,000 worth of jewelry

from a woman tourist staying at the kibbutz. He returned part of the loot and said he had sold the rest to a jeweller in Tel Aviv. On Thursday, he and police detective Yosef Arameh went to Tel Aviv, where they recovered the loot.

On the way back, they filled out the lucky Sportoto form. (Itim)

With or without wheels, we're the champs

AMSTERDAM (AP). — Israel became European champion in wheelchair basketball yesterday by defeating the Netherlands 55-52 in the finals.

(Tel Aviv Maccabi won the European basketball Cup of Champions 11 days ago).

Bhutto bans booze as concession

LAHORE (Reuters). — Prime Minister Zulfikar Ali Bhutto of Pakistan, in an apparent concession to his militant opponents, yesterday announced a ban on liquor and gambling and pledged to speed up the introduction of other Islamic laws.

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24-hour delays for some El Al flights

By ZE'EV SCHUL
Post Aviation Reporter

N-GURION AIRPORT. — Yesterday's El Al flights to Tel Aviv, Paris, London, Frankfurt, Zurich, Amsterdam, Bucharest, Frankfurt — managed to get out on schedule, despite the labour dispute. The maintenance crews are refusing to work overtime and on the Sabbath, beyond the two days a month allotted in their work contract. The slowdown created a backlog of serviced aircraft over the weekend. Another delay was caused by the arrival of one of the company's big 747 aircraft, which was tied to London's Heathrow Air-

The staff committee is pressing for substantial hikes, to bring up the maintenance mechanics' wages to a "fair level." According to the El Al management the workers are seeking an 18 per cent increase, although they signed a two-year contract last August.

"Precisely for this reason — because we were the first to sign — the erosion of our salaries has been the heaviest," a mechanics' spokesman told *The Post* yesterday.

"When it comes to us there is never enough money to go round," he complained, adding "When it comes to the salaries the management is never short. They've shelved out IL70m. a year to cover the extra taxes imposed by the Ben-Shahar reform."

Clinic doctors' one-day strike has little impact

Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — Yesterday's one-day strike by 3,500 Kupat Holim doctors caused few overall problems. A survey taken by the adult sick fund in five of its 15 regional administrative regions showed "little to report."

Meanwhile, the Israel Medical Association's central committee is today to plan an all-out strike which will start on Sunday, April 24, if agreement is not reached with Kupat Holim by then.

Most patients accepted the situation yesterday and did not turn up to see a doctor. But some of others did come to get treatments given by nurses and therapists.

Several times nurses referred a patient to the nearest duty hospital, Magen David Adom. But MDA's general Ben Zion Tehan told *Jerusalem Post* that there was

Magistrate orders special diet for diabetic suspect

HAIFA (Itim). — A Haifa magistrate has ordered the police to enable a suspect in the lockup to get the special diet he needs for his diabetic condition — or release him immediately.

The suspect, junk dealer Avraham Luchinsky, was arrested about a week ago on suspicion of stealing copper scrap from a supplier.

His lawyer told the court that although Luchinsky is suffering from diabetes and heart disease, the police have not allowed members of his family to bring him the special dietetic food he requires. The lawyer claimed the police are denying his client the food to pressure him into confessing.

Magistrate's Court Judge Micha Lindenstrauss ordered an immediate investigation into the complaint, saying that if it was true, the police were guilty of depriving the suspect of his "elementary human rights."

The magistrate nevertheless ordered Luchinsky remanded for an additional five days — on condition the police allow him his special diet.



The first baby born since before 1948 in Hadassah Hospital's newly reopened maternity ward on Mt. Scopus is held by his mother, Sylvia Gilad, shortly after his birth about 4:30 yesterday afternoon. Sylvia and her husband Hugo, an insurance agent, are new olim and live in the Ma'alot Dafna quarter of Jerusalem. The boy is scheduled to be named at his brit mila next Sunday. (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Jerusalem seeks olim from South America

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek, just returned from a trip through South America, said last night that the municipality would attempt to promote the direct immigration of 100-200 Argentine families to Jerusalem.

Kollek told the city council that the municipality was working with the Jewish Agency immigration department and the Association of South American Immigrants on the project. The Argentines will reportedly be settled in Gilo.

Jerusalem approves new city engineer

The Jerusalem City Council last night approved the appointment of Amnon Niv as city engineer.

In a letter to Mayor Teddy Kollek, Niv said he wanted to continue working in his Tel Aviv planning office one day a week if he were accepted as Jerusalem city engineer. The city council accepted this condition despite reservations expressed by some members. No one, however, voted against the appointment, and only Shai Sait of the Independent Merchants abstained.

The appointment must now be approved by the Interior Ministry.

Safety Week for home electricity

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Safety Week for electricity in the home will be sponsored May 1 through May 6 by the Institute for Safety and Hygiene, in cooperation with the Israel Electric Corporation.

Householders whose names came up in a lottery will be entitled to a free engineer's check of the electrical wiring and appliances in their homes, and the safest homes will win prizes of up to IL5,000. Details of participation in the lottery will appear in newspaper advertisements early next week.

The incidence of electrocution in work accidents in Israel has declined in recent years but the rate of electrocution in the home has remained fairly stable, the sponsors of Safety Week said yesterday. In 1976, 10 persons were killed by electricity in the home, compared with six deaths in work accidents involving electricity.

6,000 demonstrate for Soviet Jewry in London

By MARK SEGAL *Jerusalem Post Correspondent*

LONDON. — One of the biggest Soviet Jewry demonstrations ever staged here took place at Hyde Park yesterday. More than 6,000 persons attended the rally and then marched to the Soviet Embassy waving banners urging "Human rights for Soviet Jewry," and "Helinski: Empty promises, full jails."

The main thrust of the rally was a demand for the release of "refusenik" prisoners from Soviet jails. The wife of prisoner Anatoly Shcharansky, Avital Shcharansky, was cheered when she addressed the crowd in Hebrew. Interestingly, her alarm at the current "negotiations" in the Soviet Union was dropped from the English translation, read to the crowd by actor Edward Fox ("Day of the Jackal").

Fox was one of the many non-Jewish celebrities taking part in the demonstrations. Others included Britain's first lady of the stage, Dame Peggy Ashcroft; 1976 Academy Award-winning actress Janet Suzman; and Lord Byers, leader of the Liberals in the House of Lords. There were also a number of Anglican clergymen in attendance, including Canon Peter Schneider, the Archbishop of Canterbury's adviser on inter-religious affairs.

Demonstrators, many of them youthful, came from all over Britain to participate in the protest.

Sarah Howitt adds from Tel Aviv: The memorial service for Holocaust martyrs, planned last week by Jewish activists in Moscow, was held in a private flat after the authorities forbade both an outdoor gathering and the holding of a synagogue service, it was learned here yesterday.

The activists wanted to hold the memorial outside the sole surviving synagogue in the Soviet capital last Thursday — Martyrs and Heroes Remembrance Day in Israel. The authorities turned down their request, terming it "a Zionist conspiracy." The appointed synagogue committee, which the activists say is made up of "official approved Jews," said that no memorial service would be allowed during the month of Nissan.

The activists had no choice but to gather in the small flat of author Felix Kanov-Kandel.

Allya circles here yesterday also

Official version of tank chief's 73 performance

Jerusalem Post Reporter

AVIV. — The account of the performance of the armoured division in Sinai led by the late Aluf (Lt. Gen.) Moshé Golan ("Albert") Mandler in the opening stages of the Yom Kippur War, as told in a published biography of the tank chief, was checked against official Israeli Defence Forces records and approved by Aluf's son, Yisrael Tal, who was deputy chief of staff at the time.

Journalist Aviezer Golan, author of the book, reported this at a press conference yesterday marking the location of the book, called "The Tank." Golan also wrote an introduction to the book, in which he praised Mandler's efforts to persuade the General Staff to take the "imminent" war more seriously than it apparently was taking at the time.

The relevant chapter first appeared in Golan's newspaper, *Ha'aretz*, some officers, especially Aluf's son, Yisrael Tal, Southern Command at the time a war, took exception to many of the details, Golan said.

The book has been published by a committee to commemorate the tank chief who was killed by a shell explosion near his command post on the second day of the war.

Spinoza stamp okayed by cabinet

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The cabinet yesterday approved issue of a postage stamp to mark the 300th anniversary of the death of Baruch Spinoza, the Dutch Jewish philosopher. Spinoza (1632-1677) was excommunicated by the rabbinical authorities in Holland in 1656 for holding irreligious and heretical views.

With the National Religious Party now out of the government, the cabinet evidently felt free to bestow this honour on Spinoza despite the unrepentant excommunication order.

A former NRP minister, asked whether this would have happened when the NRP was still in the government, said he "doubted it."

Issue of another stamp to mark the 80th convention of the Zionist Organization of America was also approved, with the proviso that this did not constitute a precedent for issuing stamps "relating to organisations or political parties."

The two issues had been recommended by the Ministerial Committee for Emblems and Ceremonies.

T.A. man held in postal cheque fraud

TEL AVIV (Itim). — A 27-year-old Tel Aviv man was arrested yesterday on suspicion of adding three noughts to a IL300 postal cheque he had received and drawing IL300,000 instead.

According to the police, the suspect invested most of the money in securities after distributing IL4,600 to beggars and keeping IL10,000 in cash.

Police did not say how the fraud was discovered.

Four albums of valuable stamps and some 30 medallions were handed over to the police on Saturday by a 10-year-old boy who found them in sand dunes near Holon. Police believe they were hidden in the dunes by burglars.

Government corp. employees to get 4.75% pay rise

The Cabinet Committee on Wages yesterday decided to grant employees in government corporations a 4.75 per cent wage increase, similar to the increase granted to Koor employees.

By the end of this week the government and the Histadrut will complete the details of the raise. A sticking point centres on whether the increment is to be paid to all the employees or only to production workers.

The increment will be paid on the basic wage and on overtime payments, but the cost-of-living allowance will not be paid during 1977 on this amount. Social benefits, however, are to be increased according to the increment.

The 4.75 per cent increase will not be paid to engineers, technicians or academics who received a IL150-IL800 increase earlier this year.

More follow-up of ombudsman report urged at meeting

Jerusalem Post Reporter

State Comptroller Yitzhak Nebenzahl yesterday called for stricter follow-up of his annual ombudsman report, in order to oversee government operations more effectively.

Addressing the sixth study session at the Knesset, in memory of former Speaker Neuman Barkat, Dr. Nebenzahl said he hoped the next Knesset would use the report with the efficacy that previous Knessets had "at times" used his annual report. Yosef Tamir (Likud), chairman of the Knesset Control Committee, said that the ombudsman's office undoubtedly was one of the most efficient government offices.

The session was attended by Knesset Members, institutional and local ombudsmen, and officials from Dr. Nebenzahl's office. It marked the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the ombudsman's office (Public Complaints Commission).

Clothes for Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Clothes for villagers in southern Lebanon will be collected by Jerusalem schoolchildren April 25 from households throughout the city.

Mayor Teddy Kollek told the city council last night that the operation will be carried out in coordination with the Jerusalem student council, youth clubs and community centres. The municipal education department will sort and clean the clothing before it is shipped north.

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Five persons to be honoured at Yad Vashem

A Frenchman and four persons from the Netherlands will be honoured as Righteous Gentiles by Yad Vashem today. Trees in the honour of Daniel Trocme of France, Johan Hendrik Takkenberg; Gerard and Riek Hoefs, and Pieter Wybenga of Holland will also be planted.

Daniel Trocme, a teacher of physics, took responsibility for two hiding-places for Jewish children after the Nazis occupied France. He was arrested by the SS and taken to Buchenwald, where he died. His brother, Michel, will be present at the ceremony.

Takkenberg fed and gave shelter to several Jewish families during the time the Nazis controlled Holland. He was taken to a forced labour camp in 1944, and was freed eight months later by the Allies.

Gerards and Riek Hoefs of Utrecht accepted a 12-year-old Jewish girl as a member of their family for two years. As Catholics, they told neighbours that the dark-haired girl (they were blond) was the daughter of Mrs. Hoefs' sister, who had married a Protestant. After the war,

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Zaire claims offensive gaining ground in Shaba

KINSHASA (Reuter) — Zaire troops and their Moroccan allies have gained ground, captured arms, equipment and documents and taken a prisoner in Shaba province, the Zaire news agency Asap reported yesterday.

Zaire's troops launched a strong offensive on Saturday against invaders from Angola; and 1,500 Moroccans, flown in last week to help them, joined the battle Saturday night, the agency said.

The retreating invaders left a number of dead on the battlefield, Asap said. A seriously wounded prisoner was captured and is being treated before being interrogated, it reported.

The agency has been reporting since Saturday that government troops have been pushing forward. It is their first advance since the insurgents, former supporters of the late Katanga secessionist leader Moïse Tshombe, invaded south-eastern Zaire early last month.

The agency, which said Saturday that government forces had advanced 20 km., gave no fresh geographical details of the fighting yesterday.

The U.S. announced last week that it was sending Mobutu's government about \$18m. in "non-lethal" military supplies. But President Jimmy Carter has decided against any direct American involvement there.

Mobutu, an ally of the U.S., claims that the invaders are being supported by Angola and by Cuban forces stationed in Angola.

Quoting "intelligence sources," "Newday" said that the CIA has strong links with a California man, David Burkin, who, according to the source, is heading up the Zaire recruitment effort in the U.S. The paper said the CIA has backed the operation with funds.

The CIA also has informed the U.S. Justice Department that it will not cooperate with a pending investigation of Burkin's recruitment efforts, "Newday" said. Burkin, 48, was in the U.S. for the recruitment of American mercenaries for fighting in Angola last year, the paper said.

Three of those mercenaries were killed in action and three were captured, one of whom was later executed. The Justice Department had said that Burkin would be prosecuted for violating U.S. neutrality laws. But the CIA refused to provide any information to the Justice Department and no prosecution has taken place, "Newday" quoted the source as saying.

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IN BRIEF

Fossilized jaw-bone found in China

HONG KONG (Reuter) — The fossilized jaw-bone of an ape which lived some eight million years ago and showed signs of evolution towards man has been found in the southwest China province of Yunnan, the New China News Agency reported yesterday.

The agency said the lower jaw-bone was well preserved, but two central incisor teeth were missing.

It had some important features indicating the transition from ape to man, similar to those of Ramapithecus, which is generally believed to be the distant ancestor of Homo Sapiens, the agency said.

The jaw-bone, the first of its kind found in the world, would supply new scientific data for the study of the origin of man, the agency added.

Right wing plans censure of Suarez

MADRID (UPI) — Spain's most powerful right-wing party said yesterday that it has completed preparations to call the Cortes (parliament) into special session to censure Premier Adolfo Suarez for having lifted the 35-year-old ban on the Communist Party.

But despite this move, the political crisis sparked by a strong army backlash to the legalization of the Communists appeared to be ebbing quickly.

The announcement on Friday that Spain's first free elections in 41 years will definitely be held on June 15 was seen by Spanish commentators as proof that the right-wing assault on the government's democratization policies has been turned back.

Soviets in Cyprus

NICOSIA (UPI) — A Soviet delegation has arrived in Cyprus for talks with Greek and Turkish Cypriot leaders.

Delegation chief Vassili Grubiyakov, a high Soviet Foreign Ministry official, said on arrival from Athens late Saturday night that he expected "useful and interesting discussions" with the government of Cyprus. President Archbishop Makarios and Turkish Cypriot leaders today.

Grubiyakov declined to say whether the Soviet visit signalled a new Soviet initiative to end the long-standing dispute between Cyprus' Greek and minority Turkish communities.

Filipinos seen voting against

Moslem autonomy

ZAMBOANGA CITY, The Philippines (UPI) — Thousands of voters cast their ballots in a referendum in 13 southern Philippine provinces yesterday, and unofficial initial returns indicate a repudiation of the separatist Moro National Liberation Front.

Unofficial returns from six of the more than 8,000 precincts reported four hours after the polls closed 378 voted "no" to questions on whether the Moro front should rule an autonomous Moslem region President Ferdinand Marcos had created last March out of 14 provinces. Only 24 "yes" votes were counted, the returns show.

The referendum on elections said there are about four million registered voters in the 13 provinces. Complete returns are not expected to be known until three or four days after the voting.

The Moro front, the main rebel force that has spearheaded an independence movement for the Filipino minority the past four and a half years, boycotted the polls.

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WORLD SCENE

WHO AMONG US remembers that two decades ago Burma was a household word in Israel? How many of us can recall the grand welcome given Burmese President U Nu when he was one of the first foreign leaders to visit Israel? And how David Ben-Gurion later returned the visit, and the mild shock and amusement with which we at home reacted to reports that he wore Burmese dress and had gone into Buddhist meditation?

It was mainly through Burma that our diplomatic service in those far-off days penetrated to the Far East and Southeast Asia, to make our fledgling state's presence felt in the then little-known world east of India. Burma was much in the world headlines those days, just a few years after World War II, when the Japanese occupation of the country turned it into a major battlefield. Burmese nationalists first fought the British and then the Japanese, whom they found to be worse oppressors.

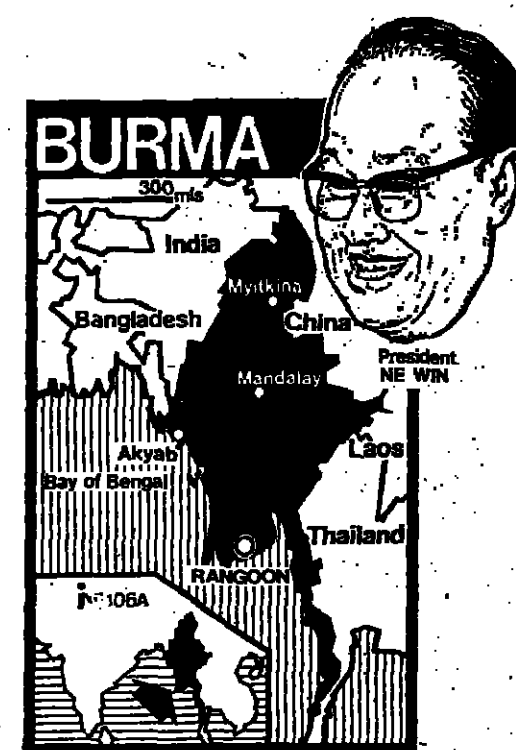
But in 1962, after the country's first 14 years of independence, Burma suddenly became one of the most isolated countries in the non-Communist world when President Ne Win seized power in a bloodless coup and instituted an austere form of self-sufficient socialism. It was virtually cut off from the world; and it is only now, after the enormous strides made by Communism in Southeast Asia, that this once prosperous land of 30 million people is beginning to open its doors to foreign business after the glaring failures of its official "Burmese Way to Socialism."

UNDER THE BURMESE form of "revolutionary socialism," foreigners were discouraged and foreign capital unwelcome. Only three years ago General Ne Win dropped his military rank when the country became a "socialist republic." But all this apparently did not steer Burma away from its path of riches to rags.

Which in the last dozen years knew little of what was happening there. But about one thing all reports agreed: government policies since the Ne Win takeover have been disastrous, and have brought the country to the verge of economic ruin.

Britain completed the annexation of Burma in 1885 and made it a province of India. It remained

The failure of Burmese socialism



a neglected adjunct of British imperial India until 1937, when it obtained a dominion-like status. Thus, it started its nationhood frantically colonized: by the British, and by the Indians who ran the lower levels of government and (together with the overseas Chinese) dominated commerce.

Ne Win first took power in 1962, after the government was unable to control the rebellious hill tribes, the collapse of the coalition and the

prevalence of corruption. He returned authority to the civilians after two years of stable government, but the country's troubles proved to be much for U Nu's new government. In 1962 U Nu again took over, jailing many politicians and banning all parties but that of the army.

A BROAD nationalization programme was carried out, the Indians were expelled — at Burma became isolated. The ousting of foreign commercial influence was politically welcome but proved an economic failure.

A foreign policy that stressed non-alignment and which prevented the acceptance of bilateral economic aid didn't do much to help the situation. And later, when Indochina fell to the Communists with the resultant unease in Southeast Asia, it was even more evident that the Burmese policy of socialism was leading nowhere.

More proof that all was not well came when the ruling Burmese Socialist Programme Party (BSPP) last month called its third party congress eight months ahead of schedule, on the 11th anniversary of Ne Win's rule.

After last November's purging of 18,000 party members and 130,000 candidate members, the government just before the Congress sacked the premier, the finance minister, the home minister and five members of the Court of State.

IN HIS REPORT to the party congress, Gen. Ne Win, Burma's No. 2, announced that the country must now look to greater contact abroad to open its doors to "without jeopardizing the socialist economic system." His review of the four-year plan started in 1973 reflected the family pattern of failed objectives.

Burma now hopes to invite foreign investment particularly for projects needing large capital outlay and technology, according to reports issued at the party congress. The plans include a radio development of Burma's oil and mineral resources, and its flagging rice and timber production.

It is quite evident that Ne Win and San Yu, who still call the tune strictly in Burma, but it is clear that moves are being made to remedy some of the problems contributing to soaring inflation, unemployment, corruption and a stagnant economy.

Three desserts a month for surviving Cambodians

BANGKOK — Cambodian head of state Khieu Samphan marked the second anniversary of the Communist victory by pledging his people — reduced by as much as a fifth since his victory — to more relentless toil. But there were signs in his Phnom Penh speech, monitored here on Friday, that life might now become a little easier.

Samphan indicated that his government — called simply "Angkor" or "The Organization" — had not changed its priorities. The emphasis was on self-reliance, hard work, and the education of a people "happy with a simple, rustic, disciplined existence."

But Samphan also indicated an awareness of human problems. He announced what seemed, to people here who are familiar with Cambodian reports, to be a bigger rice ration and said Cambodians now were served a dessert three times a month.

As the people needed "substantial nourishment to give strength and resistance to them as well as to those who will follow them," they would now get between two and three milk tins of rice a day, depending on their personal "category." The previous daily ration, as reported by refugees, was one milk tin (a Cambodian milk tin holds roughly 225 millilitres).

AP's George Gedda adds: Two years have passed since a weeping U.S. ambassador, carrying a plastic-wrapped American flag, fled Cambodia shortly before the American-backed government there surrendered to the superior firepower of the Khmer Rouge forces.

The civil war which raged in Cambodia for the previous five years had ended — but only in a sense. According to U.S. estimates, since the 1975 Khmer Rouge triumph between 600,000 and 1.5 million Cambodians have died as a result of executions, starvation, forced marches and other causes.

To save ammunition, executions with pickaxes are said to be common.

Various U.S. officials, basing their information largely on refugee reports, gave this account of what has happened in Cambodia since the Khmer Rouge achieved final victory two years ago yesterday.

Aside from the obvious targets for liquidation, such as supporters of the ousted Lon Nol regime, the Khmer Rouge have eliminated much of the educated class in Cambodia, which includes anyone with a high school education or more.

Education is practically nonexistent for children after they learn the rudiments of reading and writing. Children are encouraged to spy on their parents and other adults and to report to the authorities on any sign of "decadent" behaviour.

There is no mass-circulation newspaper in the country, only a few journals which are circulated to selected government officials.

Loudspeakers are the most common method the government uses to communicate with the people.

Whereas most Communist countries see the elimination of money as a long-range goal, Cambodia already has withdrawn all currency from circulation, substituting a barter system.

There are now an estimated 200,000 persons living in Phnom Penh, compared with 1.5 million in the capital's heyday and two million when the city was swollen with refugees two years ago. Most of the country's five million surviving inhabitants work in labour camps in the countryside. Many are required to spend their evenings writing about past crimes they have committed.

Other features: • The regime operates in almost total secrecy. Although there is a Cambodian Communist Party, its

No party expected to win majority in Belgian voting

BRUSSELS (Reuter) — Nearly six million Belgians voted yesterday for a new government, which they hope will solve the country's pressing economic problems and give greater autonomy to its Dutch and French-speaking regions.

The final results of the vote — compulsory in Belgium — should be known by around midday today. But no party is expected to win an overall majority, and weeks of negotiations could follow before an alliance representing both regions in sufficient strength can be put together.

However, most analysts believe the centre-right Social Christians of outgoing Premier Leo Tindemans, based largely in Dutch-speaking Flanders, and the Socialists, strongest in the economically declining industrial region of Wallonia,

will remain the largest parties and could patch up their differences enough to share power.

Belgium's language dispute, inflamed by the differing effects of inflation and high unemployment on the two communities, flared up last week in a Flemish district outside the mainly French-speaking capital, when police had to move in to prevent fights between Dutch and French-speaking militants after the commune mayor banned French-language election posters.

The ban, overruled by the interior minister, could lead to gains for the Brussels-based French-language Front Democratique des Francophones (FDF), though no major advances were predicted for the FDF's ally, the Rassemblement Wallon (RW) or the extremist Dutch Federalist Volksunie Party.

U.S. informs China about SALT

WASHINGTON (Reuter) — The U.S. is keeping informed of the basic position in strategic arms limitations talks (SALT) with the Soviet Union, President Carter told a group of news executives here yesterday.

Carter's statement, released at the White House on Saturday, is in response to a question put to him at an invitation-only news conference.

He told his questioners: "We are keeping the Chinese in the loop on SALT. I guess, with the Chinese from blue and blue

Solving riddles 'live' on screen

By JUDY SIEGEL / Jerusalem Post reporter

In '60s, radio listeners held their breath as the host, Yitzhak Shimoni, read out the solutions to riddles. In the mid-'70s, the show moved to TV, and the solutions were depicted and explained "live" on the screen.

A successful two-year run, the "Treasure Hunt" are presenting the last of their 22 shows before going on "vacation," hoping that it will be aired on TV.

The programme will be a rare format from all the instead of providing the clues with clues phoned in from home. Host Yitzhak Shimoni and Shlomo Ganan have led all previous contestants even returning specially from abroad as a battery of information the 22nd contender's wedge falls him.

Idea for the original show came when the radio sent me to a "Treasure Hunt" in 1961," recalls Shimoni, a host of the show. "I heard a radio programme where a riddle to be solved with the help of the listening public. I insisted when I returned to Israel, I should have a quiz involving Israeli history and archaeology and an educational value."

Shimoni (who recently returned from a tour of duty in Paris

as the Authority's correspondent) wrote many of the riddles and fielded responses from callers, and Shimoni acted as host. Mordechai Naor (now director of Galei Zahal) composed the rest for radio and most of those that have been used on TV. "The most surprising and satisfying thing about the show," Shimoni notes, "is that the people you might not expect to watch such an 'educational' show enjoy it. A cleaning man in the supermarket a while ago stopped me and offered his comments on our latest riddle."

Hundreds of viewers applied to be contestants, but the competition was stiff. A graphologist studied their handwriting to determine whether they had good memories and could stand up under pressure (the result did not disqualify Shimoni, says, but it eased the selection). Then the applicants took an oral test on the Land of Israel's history and archaeology, and the best were sent for a "screen test." Very few women, he concedes, have appeared as contestants ("they didn't apply in large numbers") but those who qualified were "very good" treasure-hunters.

The contestant in the March programme, Amos Carmel of Rehovot, was not last but he was best and fastest — deducing answers to each part of the riddle with little need for outside help.

The mood in the control room was



This quaint fellow trips his way to treasure in the programme opening of Israel Television's "Treasure Hunt."

rather tense before the opening of the show. Shimoni and Carmel sat in the fifth-floor studio atop TV House in Jerusalem, their faces covered with the thick make-up required for TV. Arze Orgad, who presides over phoned-in messages in the basement studio, smoothed down his sweater and passed his hand over his blond hair. Dan Kaner, stationed at the site of the "treasure," fidgeted when the camera team had the wrong angle. A strategically placed microphone broke down but was fixed just in time.

The serpentine plastic tube through which the phone messages were propelled by the 14 student operators to Orgad via compressed

air was tested and re-tested. The rush in the studios and even the cracked wood of Orgad's desk didn't matter. All that counts is what appears within the camera frame. Carmel, a chemist and the father of three, answered assuredly and quickly, unaware of a phoned-in bomb threat to TV House that brought police patrol cars and a bomb squad to the building in mid-show. (The staffers in the control room remained calm — such threats are a common occurrence — and it turned out to be a false alarm.)

As it became apparent that the riddle would be solved very early, Ganan called upstairs to ensure that an extra "filler" was available to

take up the slack. By the time Carmel had guessed that the "treasure" was hidden at the Town Major's office in Beersheba, the phone operators off-camera had already risen from their seats and worked — eager to get home before midnight — began to dismantle the plastic tube and the studio set. When the cameras in Beersheba came on, Orgad had already cleaned his desk and unplugged his microphone, and the studio was empty, leaving the control room staff to finish up.

The plastic tube, the desks and the cameras will be rolled out again tonight for the last "Treasure Hunt" for now.

Esperanto in Israel

By LEA LEVAVI / Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Teaching English in the schools only helps prepare young Israelis for eventual emigration to the U.S. So why not teach Esperanto instead, as a language which will link Israel to the outside world? And Zamenhof, who invented Esperanto, was a good Jew and an early member of Hovevei Zion.

Dr. Henrek Mashler, who runs Esperanto courses in Israel for the local Association of Esperantists, thinks Esperanto can serve all the purposes of English, without being an incentive to emigration.

The Esperantists held their annual conference in Tel Aviv recently. All the speeches were in Esperanto, as was social conversation between the members.

There was a very definite generation gap among the approximately 100 persons present in the conference room. Part of the audience was in its 60's, 60's or older, mainly people who came from Europe. On the other hand, there were participants as young as 16.

There were also several young immigrants from English-speaking countries. Nahum, from the U.S., started learning Esperanto from a book while in New York. Later, he cycled across Europe from France, speaking and learning Esperanto on the way.

Dr. Mashler, who estimates that at least 1,000 persons have finished the courses he directs, says Esperanto can be learned in a 16-week course, of one 90-minute lesson each week. If children were to learn it in school for 45 minutes every day over two years, they would know the language

perfectly. The reason is that Esperanto is based on 16 grammatical rules into which there are no exceptions. Thus, all nouns end in "o," all adjectives in "a," all plurals in "j" etc. At the same time, the language is built on the use of prefixes, affixes and suffixes to make an infinite number of words. For instance, the prefix *mal* means the opposite: *bona* means good; *malbona* bad; *juna*, young; *maljuna* old — etc.

One of the young Esperantists described the activities which the young people carry out. They run correspondence courses to bring Esperanto to farflung places which the teachers who conduct classes in larger communities (all on a voluntary basis) cannot reach. They are now working on an exchange programme under which 18 Israeli high school pupils who speak Esperanto will go to Germany next summer as guests of the German Government, with 15 German youngsters reciprocating the following year.

Esperantists here as elsewhere sometimes seem a bit fanatic to the outsider when they speak of their language as a tool towards world peace and as the universal language of tomorrow. "I know we have opponents," Dr. Mashler said. "But I think I prefer people to speak against us than not talk about us at all."

At the International Esperantists Congress to be held in Iceland in August, Israel will be represented by an eight-member delegation.

GARDENER'S CORNER / Walter Frankl

COLOUR AND FUN

LT-COLOURED border, from the end of June to the autumn, will add to the pleasure from your summer garden. Here are directions here for what are just plain fun.

owering border. In one of my columns of last November mentioned the main points in planting (colour, height and season), but today I want to more detail.

new garden it is easy to ear a piece of ground for the border — somewhere in a seation, in front of a hedge or fence, or opposite your like a permanent show which changes exhibits accor-season.

ur garden is already planted such a border, try to correct it will never regret it). All a strip 60-80 cm. wide and divided garden soil, enriched rae or cov manure (or com-When you plant this border, you'll do more than set out an-gerennials and bulbs — you'll colour, just as the painter creating a picture. To be a ful designer for your flower, you must know the basic out colour and colour reac-

r. The three primary colours i, yellow and blue. Other are a combination of the es, like orange from red and or green from blue and or purple from red and blue. garden needs some contrast attractive show. You have to ose contrasting colours in nd play them against each You have to consider the und, too. If this is a stone u can cover it decoratively mbing ampelopsis (green arch to late autumn) or with en climbing ivy. You can

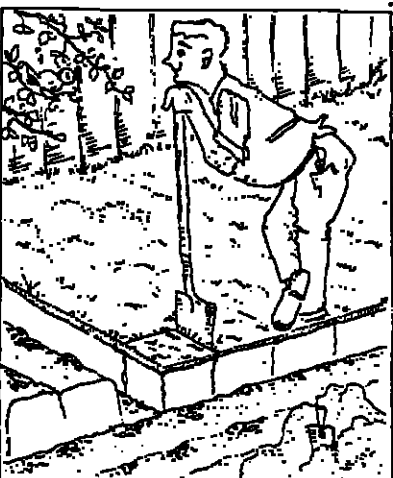
also plant some climbing shrubs like roses, jasmines or others for cover. If it is a metal or wooden fence, you can decorate it by sowing blue and red Morning Glory (*Ipomoea*).

There is a rich variety of flowers of every shape, size and colour for every season of the year — and we are also able to sharpen the colour contrast by using some white flowering plants in between the rows of our border.

Remember: Only you can finally decide which colours you want in your garden; you are the architect and all you plan and plant is your personal choice. Height. The first row of your border (from the visitor's viewpoint) should be planted with very low-growing flowers, so that everybody can enjoy the behind ones. For that reason you have to learn more about the maximum height of each flower. We know low-growing flowers, with an average height of 10-15 cm., medium-high ones up to 20-40 cm., and finally tall flowers from half a metre to one metre and more.

Season. Every season has its specific plants. In our country there are some differences. In the hilly regions, such as in Jerusalem, all flowering occurs 2-3 weeks later than in the coastal plain area. In the Jordan Valley and on the Dead Sea shores (Kallia — Eln-Gedi) on the other hand, everything blooms several weeks earlier.

Proposals for a satisfying summer border. Plant portulaca for the first two rows. The seeds are very small, so you have to prepare a seed box with fine sandy soil for germination. The plants, tiny at first, have to be watered carefully. When they reach a height of 6-8 cm., you can transplant them to the border, 15 cm. apart with a space of 20 cm. In between the rows. Portulaca leaves are succulent and remind one of



perennial mesembry — anthemum, but portulaca is an annual and cannot be propagated by cuttings. Its value is in its beautiful colours. It flowers in all colours of the rainbow, surprising you every morning with new flower buds, which open in sunshine and fade at night. But for every fading flower, new ones appear the next morning, providing a long-lasting (for the whole summer) brilliant, multi-coloured effect.

For medium-high border flowers, plant zinnia liliput (different colours) with a maximum height of 40 cm., or big tagetes (marigold) in yellow and orange, also reaching a height of 40 cm. Both kinds need a planting space of 40 cm. from seedling to seedling.

As a high (background) flower for a decorative border, I recommend either cosmos (white, red, pink and purple) or amaranthus (Love Lies Bleeding — Hebr. *shav-shual*). Both these annuals reach a height of 100-120 cm. and have to be planted 50 cm. apart.

Fun for summer. You will be considered a magician if you plant *kochia* (Mexican Fire Bush) somewhere at the side of your lawn or around your trees. It's an annual, neat, fast-growing foliage plant. Buy a seed packet and prepare the plants in your own nursery frame now. In April. Transplant 10-15 cm. high seedlings in May, some 40 cm. apart and water them carefully in the early stages, as they are likely to damp off. And now, the sensation: The finely-cut, light green leaves of the *kochia* turn coppery-red in the autumn, hence the name "Fire Bush."

Coloured Maize. Seeds of this fun plant are available at most seed-shops. April is the best growing time. Sow the seeds in your vegetable patch or in another sunny place. Corn (maize) is a big plant and the seeds must be spaced in the row some 30-40 cm. apart. This may seem quite a distance, but if you plant them closer you will have a poor crop with small and incomplete corn cobs owing to poor pollination. This plant grows like common edible sweet corn, but its cobs are not white or yellow, but blue, red, purple or grey. They can be dried in the open air and used as decorative items. The seeds will germinate after approximately 10 days and, if watered and cultivated regularly, will reach a height of 100-120 cm. Harvesting will start in July.

Ornamental gourds. There are numerous species of ornamental gourds with different shapes, sizes and colours. Some are like little melons, others are more similar to cucumbers, round or oval, green, orange, yellow or striped. Seeds should be sown now where they are to grow, in a light rich soil in a sunny corner (on a compost heap). They do not transplant well like their relatives of the vine crops (cucumbers, melons, squash, pumpkins). Fruits should be picked, when ripe, before frost, dried and preserved as ornaments.

Luffa Sponge. *Luffa cylindrica* is another member of the gourd family. It is a typical climbing summer plant which should be sown now (April). But *luffa* is more than a simple gourd. It is a beautiful ornamental, which produces an edible fruit, as well as an excellent and cheap sponge. The glossy green leaves, bright yellow flowers and deep green fruit cover a four-metre trellis in one season. The vine can also be trained to grow laterally over a lower fence.

Luffa, if cut very young, taste like dark green zucchini squash (*kishuim*) and can be prepared in the same way. When the *luffa* fruit starts turning yellow-brown, it is ready for harvest. Cut it from the vine and soak it in water until the skin peels easily from the fibrous skeleton. Shake out the seeds (preserve them for next season!) and the long lasting potscrubber will be ready for use.

Gambling for art

Jerusalem Post Reporter THE JERUSALEM Hilton took on a split personality last Saturday evening as aficionados of serious music mingled in the foyer with lovers of another art — gambling.

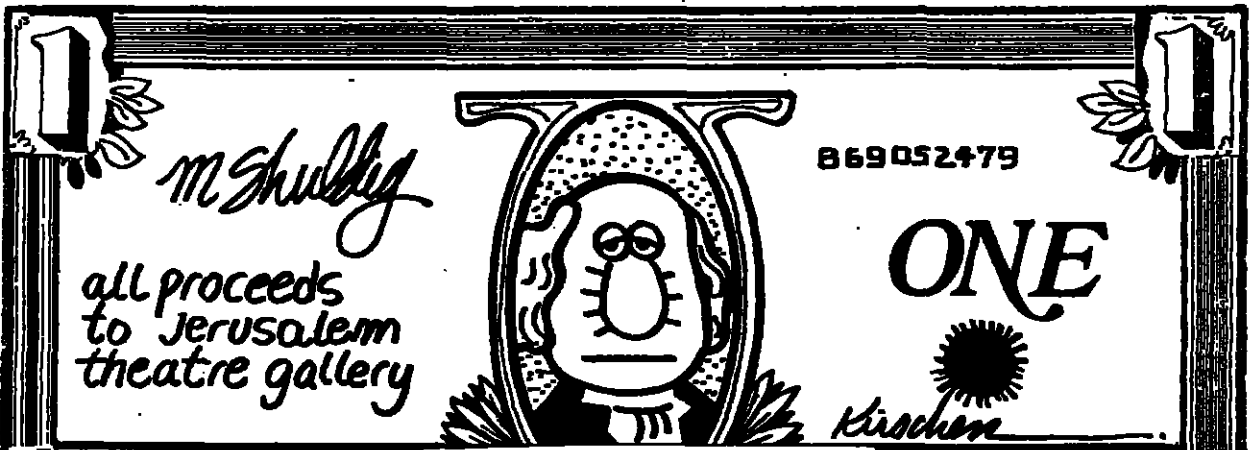
The serious gentlemen, dressed in black suits and bow ties, disappeared into the dimly lit Judean Bar, where they were treated to a buffet supper reception for the closing of the Artur Rubinstein Piano Competition, courtesy of the Ministry of Tourism. Tall, slim and elegant — and mainly very young — the contestants were nervously cracking jokes and their finger-joints too, in preparation for the final concert in the Binyanei Ha'Ooma immediately after the reception.

Downstairs, the brightly lit ballroom foyer rang to the cries of "Faites vos jeux," to the click of the roulette ball, and to the chatter and pushing around the three blackjack tables (where at least one of the dealers had got his professional experience where it counts — in Las Vegas).

The money used, by the way, was designed by The Post's own Ya'acov Kirschen, who drew a glumlooking (always the loser?) Shuldig glowering out of a "One Las Vegas dollar."

Cost of each dollar: IL6. This, plus raffie ticket money, plus IL4.00 entrance fee went to make up IL25,000 to aid the new Jerusalem Theatre art gallery for new immigrants and young Israeli artists, due to open on May 25.

One of the many people who were attracted to both entertainments was Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek — who also went up to the Royal Suite, to pay a visit to Maestro Rubinstein, still recovering from the cold that hit him on his arrival here last week, and who couldn't attend the reception downstairs. But, as one



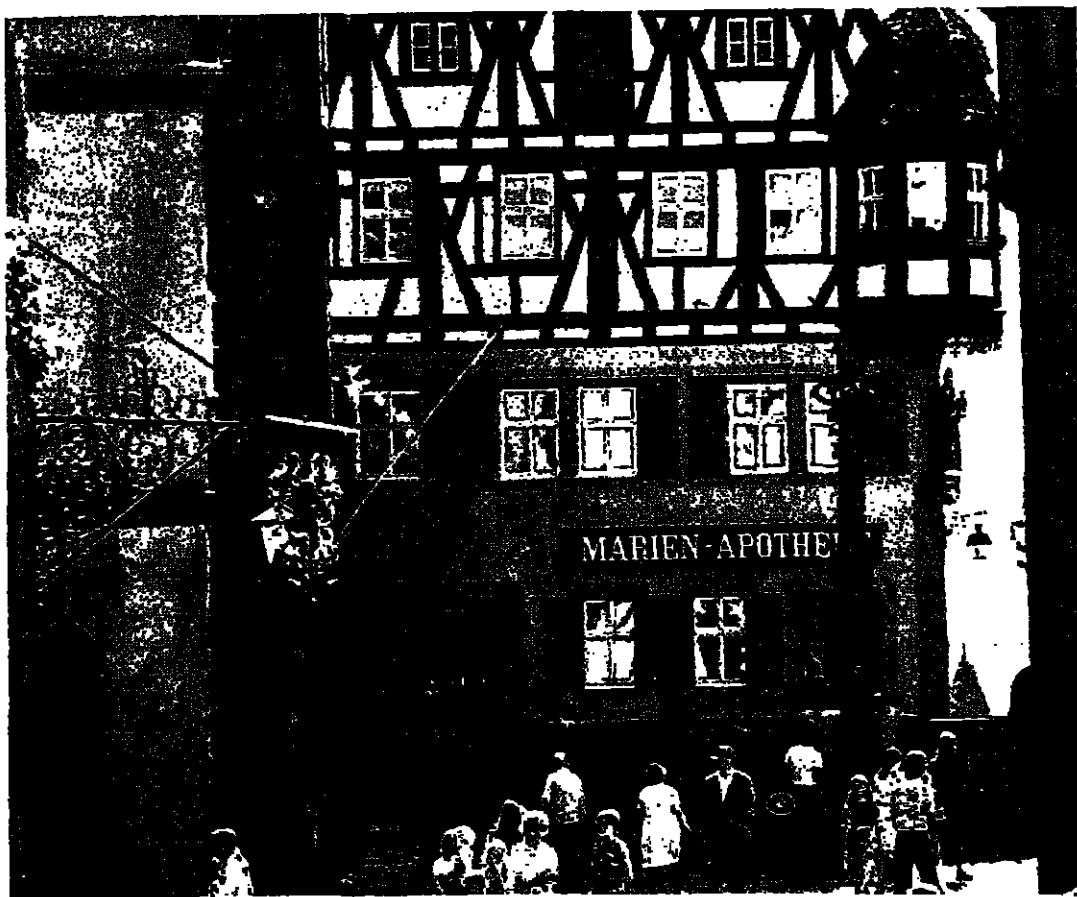
One "Las Vegas Dollar," designed by Ya'acov Kirschen (The Post's Dry Bones) for the Hilton's Las Vegas Evening.

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of Rubinstein's entourage said: "When they took Rubinstein to Bellinson Hospital this week for an X-ray, the doctors said: 'He's a miracle — his heart is as sound as that of a man of 40.'"

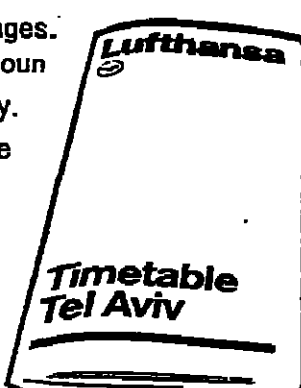
Just how proud Rubinstein is of his age is evidenced by his farewell signature in the Jerusalem Hilton guestbook. It reads: "Artur Rubinstein, aged 90."

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